September 20, 2016

Southern Gateway Corridor Report: Changes incorporated into the Draft Report based on comments received during the July-August public review period

The draft study report was released for a 30-day commenting on the city's website July-August 2016. Based on the public and staff comments received, the following changes were incorporated into the updated Southern Gateway Study report. The changes are not substantial, but provide further clarity to some areas of text. Technical adjustments were made to reflect and remain consistent with other city adopted plans.

Executive Summary

No changes other than edits for readability and clarity.

Public Process

 Added Walnut Terrace neighborhood as a district neighborhood under District Assets map. Page 19.

Analysis

Added the City's Historic resources map for the study area. Page 33.

Design Frameworks

Improve Connectivity:

- Revised potential street connections map to eliminate proposed extension of Fuller Street to Maywood and Montrose Streets. (due to community concerns).
- Showed prospects of extending the proposed Wilmington Street extension south of Tryon Road to Garner Town Station.
- Revised Bike/Pedestrian Connections map to reflect a proposed long term off-road greenway connector between Carolina Pines Avenue at the Norfolk Southern Rail intersection west to Carolina Pines Park.
- Added two long term greenway corridor zones along two stream corridors northeast to Walnut Creek Greenway.
- Added on –road bike way on Hammell Drive in the Old Saunders district.
- Showed prospects of extending a future bike/ped corridor along the proposed Wilmington extension south of Tryon Road to Garner Town Station.

Design Vision

No changes other than edits for readability and clarity.

Implementation

 Added a narrative covering potential funding sources and strategies for implementation of plan recommendations.